

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A management apparatus in a communication system having an access point to connect electronic devices operated by participants who participate in a conference, comprising:

discriminating means for discriminating ~~statuses of~~ whether or not said participants is an organizer of the conference, based on authentication information used by said electronic devices to carry out an authentication procedure; and

restricting means for setting functional restrictions on the electronic devices operated by said participants according to the discrimination by said discriminating means.

2. (Original) The management apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said electronic devices are connected to said access point by means of Bluetooth, and

said discriminating means discriminates statuses of said participants based on the PIN code used for authentication between said electronic devices and access point.

3. (Original) The management apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said discriminating means discriminates the organizer of the conference from participants other than said organizer, and

said management apparatus has an operation restriction table for setting restrictions on operations of said organizer and said participants.

4. (Original) The management apparatus according to claim 3, wherein items restricted by said operation restriction table are items including items of restrictions on connections to other networks.

5. (Original) The management apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the management apparatus comprises an IP address table creation unit which assigns IP addresses to said electronic devices and at the same time creates an IP address table.

6.-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A communication system provided with a management apparatus which manages electronic devices operated by participants who participate in a conference, comprising:

discriminating means for discriminating whether or not said participants is an organizer of the conference, based on authentication information used by said electronic devices to carry out an authentication procedure ~~functional restrictions to be assigned to said electronic devices based on authentication information used when carrying out the authentication procedure of said electronic devices; and~~

~~restricting means for assigning functional restrictions in said communication system to the electronic devices that have completed said authentication procedure based on the discrimination by said discriminating means.~~

14. (Currently Amended) A functional restriction method in a communication system having an access point, comprising the steps of:

~~discriminating the authentication information used by said access point to authenticate a wireless communication device; and~~

~~setting functional restrictions in said communication system of said wireless communication device based on said discriminated authentication information~~

discriminating whether or not participants is an organizer of a conference, based on authentication information used by electronic devices to carry out an authentication procedure;
and

setting functional restrictions on the electronic devices operated by said participants according to the discrimination at said discriminating step.